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May 5, 2015

Ms. Judith A. Enck
Regional Administrator
EPA Region 2-Main Regional Office
290 Broadway
New York, New York
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RE: Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection

Dear Administrator Enck:

The Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection cordially invites you to testify on **Monday, June 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Frits E. Lawaetz Conference Room on St. Croix** to provide testimony on the following two issues which are possibly negatively affecting our territory's residents:

- 1) The Whiskey Fungus also known as Baudoinia which is a preventable fungus that is caused by whiskey distilleries. Please provide in a detailed testimony any type of action the Environmental Protection Agency may take to address and resolve this fungus issue.
- 2) The use of the highly toxic pesticide methyl bromide within the territory which caused severe injury to four people visiting the territory. There were several samples taken and sent for analysis after this very unfortunate incident - what are the results of the samples collected by EPA investigators? What measures is the EPA taking to prevent a situation of this nature from occurring again?

Upon receipt of this letter, please contact my office and speak with Ms. Melissa Felix, Office Manager, at 340-712-2278 to confirm you attendance. I am kindly requesting that you submit your testimony via email to melissacfelix@yahoo.com no later than May 28, 2015.

Your full corporation is greatly appreciated so that the Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection meeting can be successful.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sammuel Sanes".

Sammuel Sanes
Chairman
Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection
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